

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/629,511	JEPPESEN, JOHN C.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Shumaya B. Ali	3771	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Examiner: Shumaya B. Ali. (3)_____.

(2) Attorney: Ralph Chabot. (4)_____.

Date of Interview: 18 July 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 40.


Identification of prior art discussed: Hawkins US 5,018,533.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.


Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.


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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: During the phone interview Attorney Chabot was suggested that the limitation of claim 40, "bite registration" with "TENS" is known in the art. Attorney Chabot was directed to this teaching in col.2, lines 8-12 of Hawkins US'533 and suggested to incorporate the limitation of claim 41 into claim 40 in order to place the application in condition for allowance. Attorney Chabot agreed to incorporate limitation of claim 41, i.e. "wherein....slide" in line 12 of claim 40 after the recitation of "thereto;" with an examiner's amendment.

Attorney Chabot was informed that drawing indicating structures with "#" is improper. Attorney Chabot agreed to file replacement sheet for figures 1-3. Attorney Chabot informed Examiner Ali that the three figures in figure 2 will be labeled as figures 2a, 2b, and 2c, and specification will be amended to reflect this change. Examiner Ali advised Attorney Chabot that no new matters should be added while incorporating such changes to the drawings and specification.

Attorney Chabot was further suggested to delete "apparatus" from the title of the invention since the claimed invention is directed to a method. Attorney Chabot agreed to file amendment to the specification to delete "apparatus" from the title of the invention.

Attorney Chabot was further advised to respectively change "Description of Figures" and "Description of the Preferred Embodiment" to --Brief Description of the Drawings-- and --Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiment--. Attorney Chabot agreed to file amendment to the specification to reflect these changes.

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